Homelite®

OPERATOR'S MANUAL

HANDY BROOM ELECTRIC BLOWER

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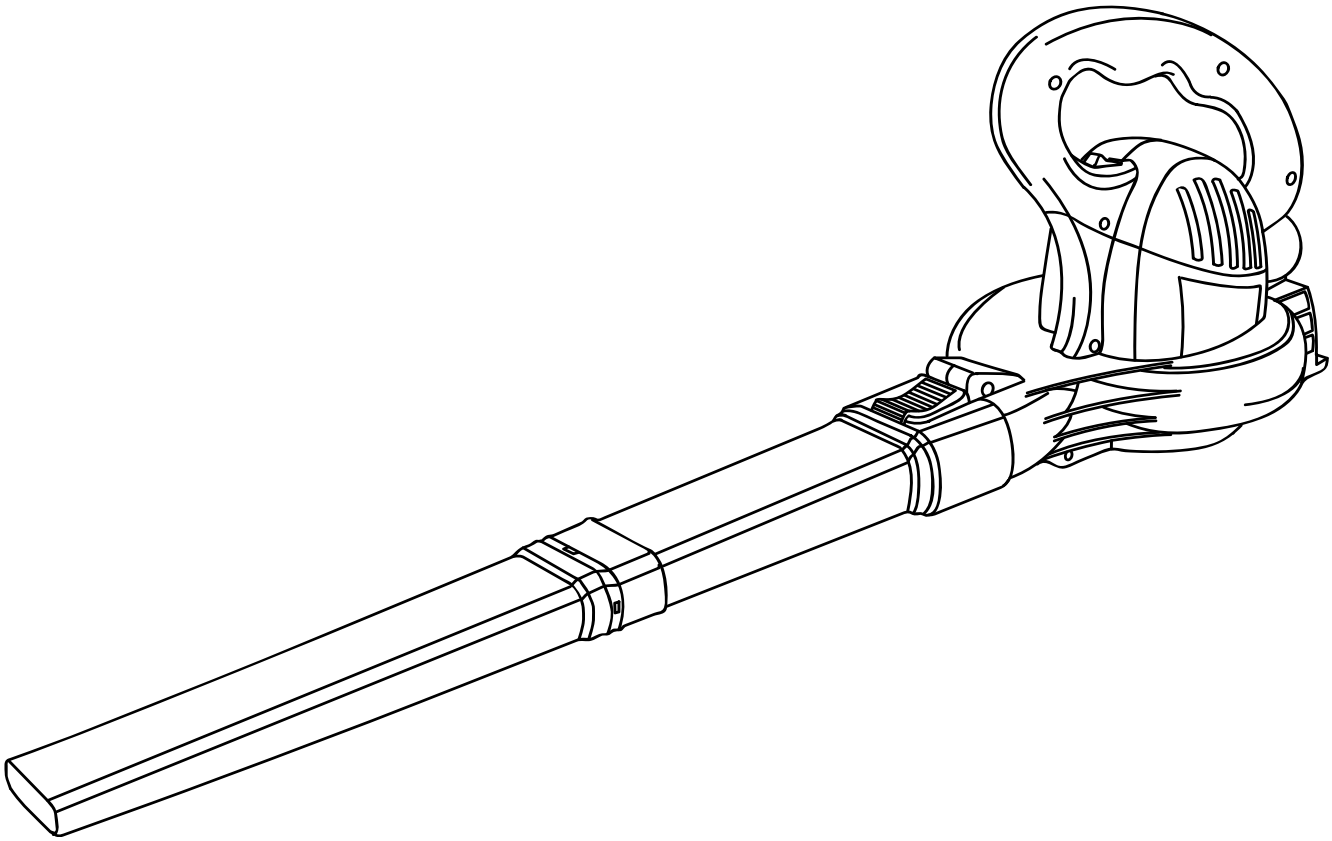

Your blower has been engineered and manufactured to our high standard for dependability, ease of operation, and operator safety. When properly cared for, it will give you years of rugged, trouble-free performance.

⚠ **WARNING:** To reduce the risk of injury, the user must read and understand the operator's manual before using this product.

Thank you for your purchase.

SAVE THIS MANUAL FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

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INTRODUCTION

This tool has many features for making its use more pleasant and enjoyable. Safety, performance, and dependability have been given top priority in the design of this product making it easy to maintain and operate.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

⚠ WARNING:

READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL INSTRUCTIONS. Failure to follow all instructions listed below may result in electric shock, fire, and/or serious personal injury.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING THIS BLOWER

- Do not operate power tools in explosive atmospheres, such as in the presence of flammable liquids, gases, or dust. Power tools create sparks which may ignite the dust or fumes.
- To reduce the risk of electric shock, this tool has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other) and will require the use of a polarized extension cord. The plug will fit into a polarized extension cord only one way. If the plug does not fit fully into the extension cord, reverse the plug. If the plug still does not fit, obtain a correct polarized extension cord. A polarized extension cord will require the use of a polarized wall outlet. This plug will fit into the polarized wall outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully into the wall outlet, reverse the plug. If the plug still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician to install the proper wall outlet. Do not change the equipment plug, extension cord receptacle, or extension cord plug in any way.
- Avoid body contact with grounded surfaces such as pipes, radiators, ranges, and refrigerators. There is an increased risk of electric shock if your body is grounded.
- Don't expose power tools to rain or wet conditions. Water entering a power tool will increase the risk of electric shock.
- Do not handle plug or tool with wet hands.
- Use outdoor extension cords marked W-A, W, SW-A, SOW-A, STW-A, STOW-A, SJW-A, SJTW-A, or SJTOW-A. These cords are rated for outdoor use and reduce the risk of electric shock.
- Never allow children to operate the equipment. Never allow adults to operate the equipment without proper instruction.
- Always wear safety glasses with side shields. Everyday glasses have only impact resistant lenses. They are NOT safety glasses. Following this rule will reduce the risk of eye injury. Use face mask if operation is dusty.
- Wear eye protection which is marked to comply with ANSI Z87.1 when operating this product.
- Wear heavy long pants, boots, and gloves. Avoid loose garments or jewelry that could get caught in moving parts of the machine or its motor.
- Do not force tool. Use the correct tool for your application. The correct tool will do the job better and safer at the rate for which it is designed.
- Do not operate the equipment while barefoot or when wearing sandals or similar lightweight footwear. Wear protective footwear that will protect your feet and improve your footing on slippery surfaces.
- Secure long hair so it is above shoulder level to prevent entanglement in any moving parts.
- Keep firm footing and balance. Do not overreach. Overreaching can result in loss of balance.
- Avoid accidental starting. Be sure the power switch is not on before plugging in. Turn off power switch before unplugging.
- Do not use tool if switch does not turn it on or off. Any tool that cannot be controlled with the switch is dangerous and must be repaired.
- Do not use with damaged plug. If tool is not working as it should or has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors, or dropped into water, return it to an authorized service center.
- Do not leave the tool when plugged in. Unplug from the power outlet when not in use, before servicing, and before storing the tool. Such preventative safety measures reduce the risk of starting the tool accidentally.
- Keep all bystanders, children, and pets at least 50 ft. away.
- Do not operate this unit when you are tired, ill, or under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or medication.
- Do not operate in poor lighting.
- Keep all parts of your body away from any moving parts and all hot surfaces of the unit.
- Do not put any object into openings. Do not use with any opening blocked; keep openings free of dust, lint, hair, and anything that may reduce air flow.
- Check the work area before each use. Remove all objects such as rocks, broken glass, nails, wire, or string which can be thrown or become entangled in the machine.
- Use only identical manufacturer's replacement parts and accessories. Use of any other parts may create a hazard or cause product damage.

SPECIFIC SAFETY RULES

- Make sure your extension cord is in good condition. When using an extension cord, be sure to use one heavy enough to carry the current your product will draw. A wire gauge size (A.W.G.) of at least 14 is recommended for an extension cord 50 feet or less in length. If in doubt, use the next heavier gauge. The smaller the gauge number, the heavier the cord. An undersized cord will cause a drop in line voltage resulting in loss of power and overheating.
- Do not point the blower nozzle in the direction of people or pets.
- Never run the unit without the proper equipment attached. Always ensure the blower tubes are installed.
- When not in use, blower should be stored indoors in a dry, locked up place—out of the reach of children.
- Save these instructions. Refer to them frequently and use them to instruct others who may use this blower. If you loan someone this unit, loan them these instructions also.

⚠ WARNING:

Some dust created by power sanding, sawing, grinding, drilling, and other construction activities contains chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. Some examples of these chemicals are:
• lead from lead-based paints,
• crystalline silica from bricks and cement and other masonry products, and
• arsenic and chromium from chemically-treated lumber.
Your risk from these exposures varies, depending on how often you do this type of work. To reduce your exposure to these chemicals: work in a well ventilated area, and work with approved safety equipment, such as those dust masks that are specially designed to filter out microscopic particles.

SYMBOLS

Some of the following symbols may be used on this tool. Please study them and learn their meaning. Proper interpretation of these symbols will allow you to operate the tool better and safer.

SYMBOL	NAME	DESIGNATION/EXPLANATION
V	Volts	Voltage
A	Amperes	Current
Hz	Hertz	Frequency (cycles per second)
W	Watt	Power
min	Minutes	Time
~	Alternating Current	Type of current
⎓	Direct Current	Type or a characteristic of current
⧈	Class II Construction	Double-insulated construction
	Wet Conditions Alert	Do not expose to rain or use in damp locations.
	Read The Operator's Manual	To reduce the risk of injury, user must read and understand operator's manual before using this product.
	Safety Alert	Precautions that involve your safety.
	Keep Bystanders Away	Keep all bystanders at least 50 ft. away.
	Eye Protection	Always wear safety goggles or safety glasses with side shields and, as necessary, a full face shield when operating this product.
	Long Hair	Failure to keep long hair away from the air inlet could result in personal injury.
	Blower Tubes	Do not operate without tubes in place.
	Loose Clothing	Failure to keep loose clothing from being drawn into air intake could result in personal injury.

SYMBOLS

The following signal words and meanings are intended to explain the levels of risk associated with this product.

SYMBOL	SIGNAL	MEANING
⚠	**DANGER:**	Indicates an imminently hazardous situation, which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.
⚠	**WARNING:**	Indicates a potentially hazardous situation, which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.
⚠	**CAUTION:**	Indicates a potentially hazardous situation, which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.
	CAUTION:	(Without Safety Alert Symbol) Indicates a situation that may result in property damage.

SERVICE

Servicing requires extreme care and knowledge and should be performed only by a qualified service technician. For service we suggest you return the product to your nearest **AUTHORIZED SERVICE CENTER** for repair. When servicing, use only identical replacement parts.

⚠ **WARNING:**

To avoid serious personal injury, do not attempt to use this product until you read thoroughly and understand completely the operator's manual. If you do not understand the warnings and instructions in the operator's manual, do not use this product. Call Homelite customer service for assistance.

⚠ **WARNING:**

The operation of any power tool can result in foreign objects being thrown into your eyes, which can result in severe eye damage. Before beginning power tool operation, always wear safety goggles or safety glasses with side shields and, when needed, a full face shield. We recommend Wide Vision Safety Mask for use over eyeglasses or standard safety glasses with side shields. Always use eye protection which is marked to comply with ANSI Z87.1.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

ELECTRICAL

DOUBLE INSULATION

Double insulation is a concept in safety in electric power tools, which eliminates the need for the usual three-wire grounded power cord. All exposed metal parts are isolated from the internal metal motor components with protecting insulation. Double insulated tools do not need to be grounded.

⚠ WARNING:

The double insulated system is intended to protect the user from shock resulting from a break in the tool's internal insulation. Observe all normal safety precautions to avoid electrical shock.

NOTE: Servicing of a tool with double insulation requires extreme care and knowledge of the system and should be performed only by a qualified service technician. For service, we suggest you return the tool to your nearest authorized service center for repair. Always use original factory replacement parts when servicing.

ELECTRICAL CONNECTION

This tool has a precision-built electric motor. It should be connected to a **power supply that is 120 volts, 60 Hz, AC only (normal household current).** Do not operate this tool on direct current (DC). A substantial voltage drop will cause a loss of power and the motor will overheat. If your tool does not operate when plugged into an outlet, double-check the power supply.

GFCI

Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) protection should be provided on the circuit(s) or outlet(s) to be used for the tool. Receptacles are available having built-in GFCI protection and may be used for this measure of safety.

EXTENSION CORDS

When using a power tool at a considerable distance from a power source, be sure to use an extension cord that has the capacity to handle the current the tool will draw. An undersized cord will cause a drop in line voltage, resulting in overheating and loss of power. Use the chart to determine the minimum wire size required in an extension cord. Only round jacketed cords listed by Underwriter's Laboratories (UL) should be used.

When working outdoors with a tool, use an extension cord that is designed for outside use. This type of cord is designated with "WA" on the cord's jacket.

Before using any extension cord, inspect it for loose or exposed wires and cut or worn insulation.

**Ampere rating (on tool data plate)

	0-2.0	2.1-3.4	3.5-5.0	5.1-7.0	7.1-12.0	12.1-16.0
Cord Length	**Wire Size (A.W.G.)**					
25´	16	16	16	16	14	14
50´	16	16	16	14	14	12
100´	16	16	14	12	10	—

**Used on 12 gauge - 20 amp circuit.
NOTE: AWG = American Wire Gauge

⚠ WARNING:

Keep the extension cord clear of the working area. Position the cord so that it will not get caught on lumber, tools, or other obstructions while you are working with a power tool. Failure to do so can result in serious personal injury.

⚠ WARNING:

Check extension cords before each use. If damaged replace immediately. Never use tool with a damaged cord since touching the damaged area could cause electrical shock resulting in serious injury.

FEATURES

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Weight ..... 6.7 lbs.
Input ..... 120 V, 60 Hz, AC only, 12 Amps
Air Velocity:
MPH 185
CFM 450

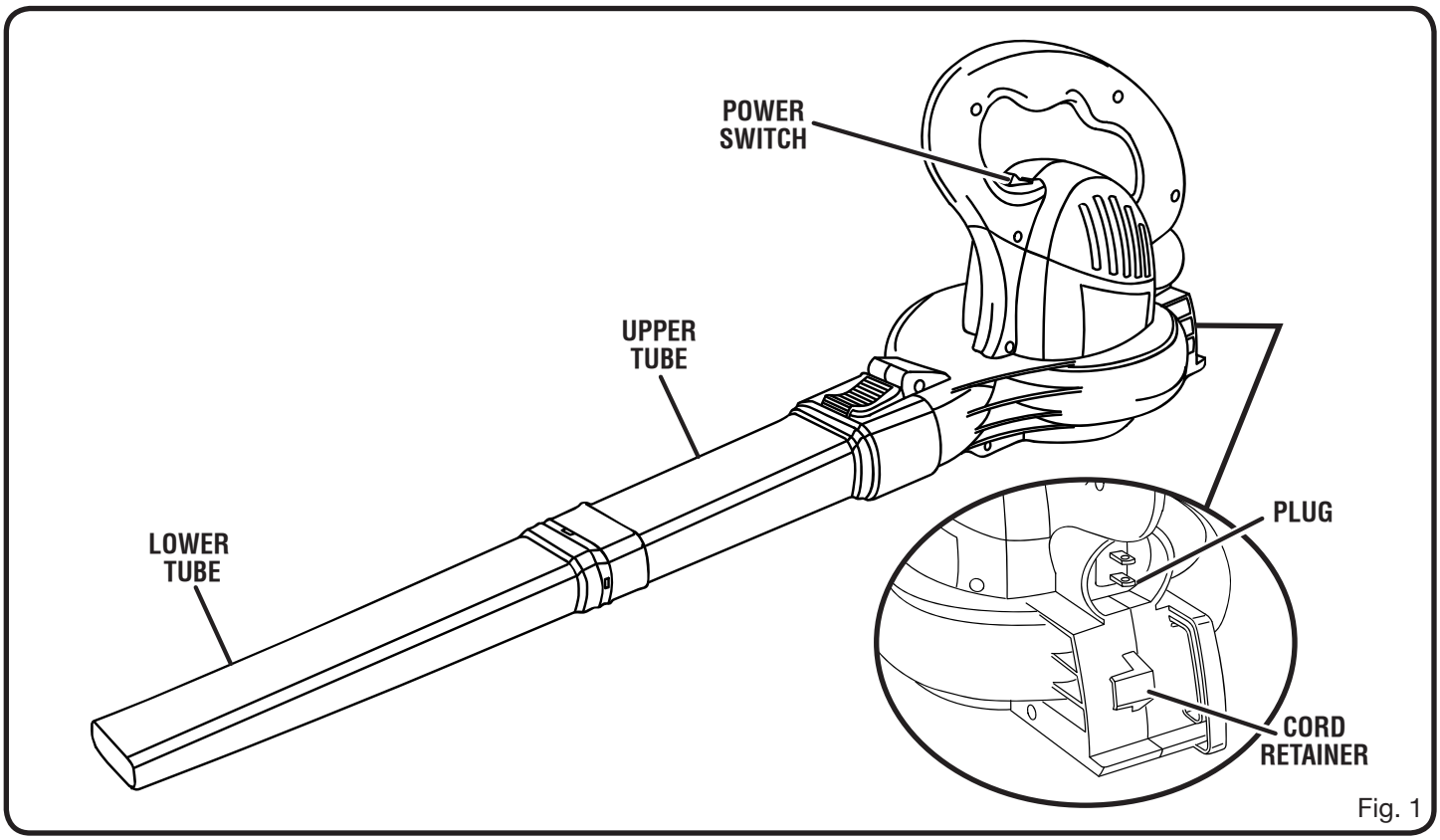


Fig. 1

KNOW YOUR BLOWER

See Figure 1.

The safe use of this product requires an understanding of the information on the tool and in this operator's manual as well as a knowledge of the project you are attempting. Before use of this product, familiarize yourself with all operating features and safety rules.

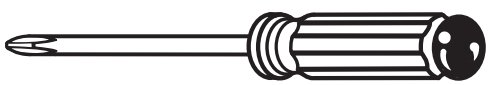
BLOWER TUBES

The blower tubes can be assembled and installed on the blower using only a screwdriver.

CORD RETAINER

A convenient cord retainer helps keep the extension cord connection secure during blower operation.

TOOLS NEEDED



PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER

ASSEMBLY

UNPACKING

This product requires assembly.

- Carefully remove the tool and any accessories from the box. Make sure that all items listed in the packing list are included.
- Inspect the tool carefully to make sure no breakage or damage occurred during shipping.
- Do not discard the packing material until you have carefully inspected and satisfactorily operated the tool.
- If any parts are damaged or missing, please call 1-800-242-4672 for assistance.

PACKING LIST

Blower

Upper Tube

Lower Tube

Screw

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⚠ WARNING:

If any parts are missing do not operate this tool until the missing parts are replaced. Failure to do so could result in possible serious personal injury.

⚠ WARNING:

Do not attempt to modify this tool or create accessories not recommended for use with this tool. Any such alteration or modification is misuse and could result in a hazardous condition leading to possible serious personal injury.

⚠ WARNING:

Do not connect to power supply until assembly is complete. Failure to comply could result in accidental starting and possible serious personal injury.

ASSEMBLING THE BLOWER TUBES

See Figure 2.

- With the ridged area facing up, slide the upper blower tube over the outlet on the blower housing.
- Press down on the ridged area on the upper blower tube and continue to slide the tube forward until the screw hole on the side of the blower tube aligns with the hole on the blower housing.
- Install the screw provided and rotate clockwise to secure.
- Install the lower blower tube onto the end of the upper blower tube. Slide forward until the notched areas on the upper tube click into the slots on the lower tube.
- Install the screw provided into the screw hole on the upper blower tube and tighten securely in a clockwise direction using a Phillips screwdriver.

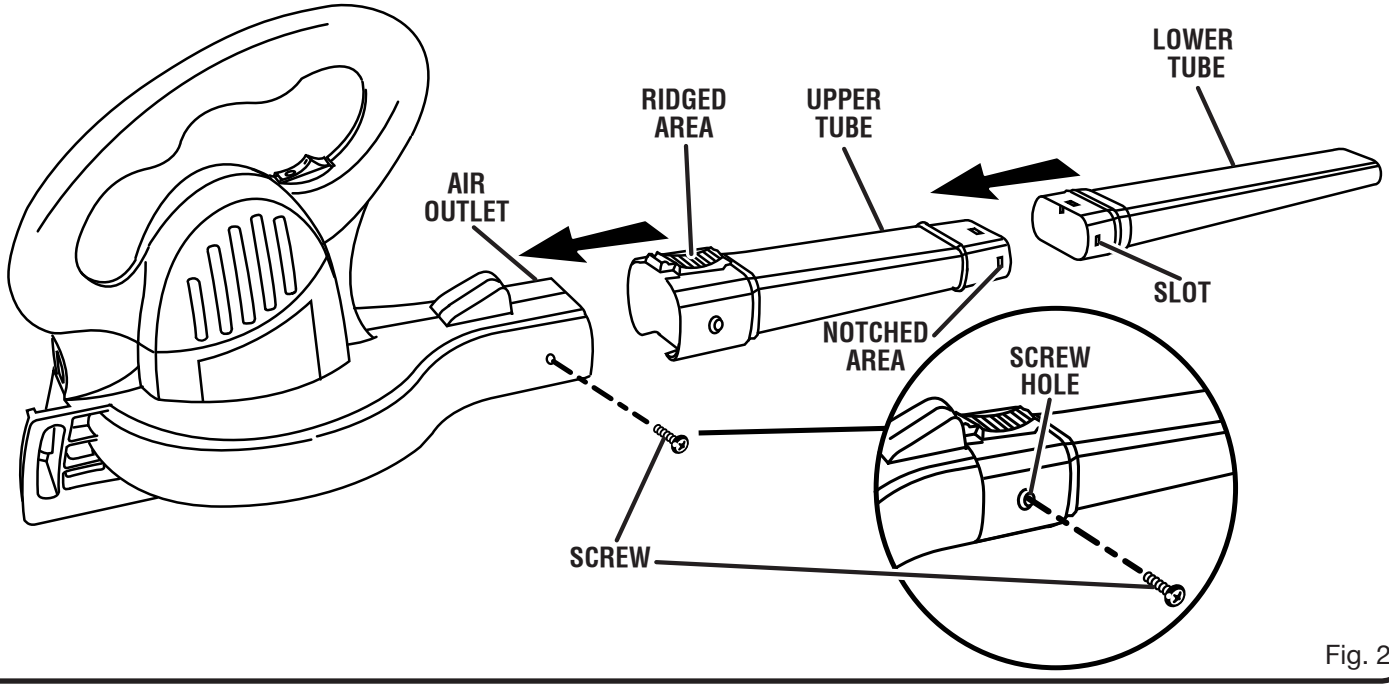

Fig. 2

OPERATION

WARNING:

Do not allow familiarity with tools to make you careless. Remember that a careless fraction of a second is sufficient to inflict serious injury.

WARNING:

Always wear safety goggles or safety glasses with side shields when operating tools. Failure to do so could result in objects being thrown into your eyes, resulting in possible serious injury.

WARNING:

Do not use any attachments or accessories not recommended by the manufacturer of this tool. The use of attachments or accessories not recommended can result in serious personal injury.

APPLICATIONS

You may use this tool for the purposes listed below:

- Clearing leaves and other debris from your lawn
- Keeping decks and driveways free from leaves and pine needles

STARTING/STOPPING THE BLOWER

See Figures 3 - 4.

- Attach the outlet end of an extension cord to the plug on the rear of the blower.

  NOTE: Use only an approved outdoor extension cord as described previously in this manual.
- Route the extension cord through the right side of the loop located on the rear of the blower housing and place underneath the cord retainer.
- To start the blower, place the power switch in the **ON (I)** position.
- To stop the blower, place the power switch in the **OFF (O)** position.

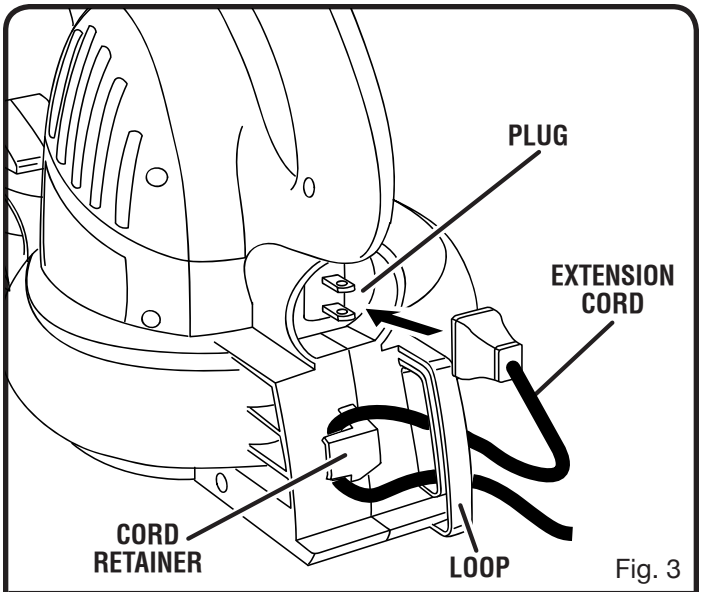

Fig. 3

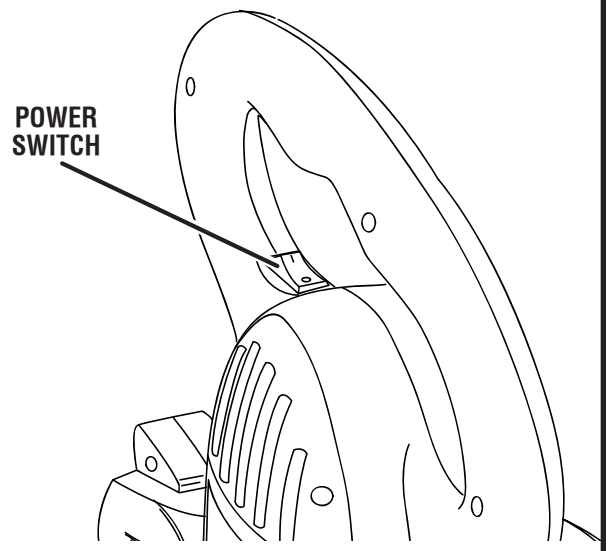

Fig. 4

OPERATING THE BLOWER

See Figure 5.

- To keep from scattering debris, blow around the outer edges of a debris pile. Never blow directly into the center of a pile.
- To reduce sound levels, limit the number of pieces of equipment used at any one time.
- Use rakes and brooms to loosen debris before blowing. In dusty conditions, slightly dampen surfaces when water is available.
- Conserve water by using power blowers instead of hoses for many lawn and garden applications, including areas such as gutters, screens, patios, grills, porches, and gardens.
- Watch out for children, pets, open windows, or freshly washed cars, and blow debris safely away.
- After using blowers or other equipment, CLEAN UP! Dispose of debris properly.

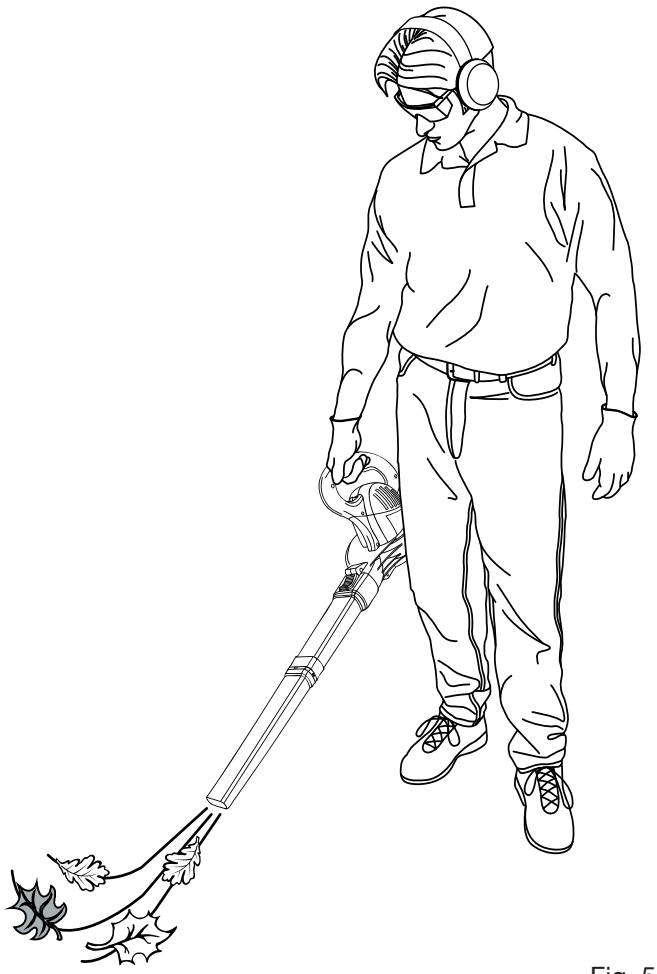

Fig. 5

MAINTENANCE

⚠ WARNING:

When servicing, use only identical replacement parts. Use of any other parts may create a hazard or cause product damage.

⚠ WARNING:

Always wear safety goggles or safety glasses with side shields during power tool operation or when blowing dust. If operation is dusty, also wear a dust mask.

⚠ WARNING:

Before inspecting, cleaning or servicing the machine, unplug the power cord and wait for all moving parts to stop. Failure to follow these instructions can result in serious personal injury or property damage.

GENERAL MAINTENANCE

Avoid using solvents when cleaning plastic parts. Most plastics are susceptible to damage from various types of commercial solvents and may be damaged by their use. Use clean cloths to remove dirt, dust, oil, grease, etc.

⚠ WARNING:

Do not at any time let brake fluids, gasoline, petroleum-based products, penetrating oils, etc., come in contact with plastic parts. Chemicals can damage, weaken or destroy plastic, which may result in serious personal injury.

STORAGE (1 MONTH OR LONGER)

- Clean all foreign material from the blower.
- Store indoors in a place that is inaccessible to children. Keep away from corrosive agents such as garden chemicals and de-icing salts.

TROUBLESHOOTING

PROBLEM	CAUSE	REMEDY
Motor fails to start when switch is turned on.	Power cord is not plugged in or connection is loose.	Plug in the power cord.
	Household circuit breaker is tripped.	Check circuit breaker.

CALL US FIRST

For any questions about operating or maintaining your product, call the Homelite® Help Line!

Your product has been fully tested prior to shipment to ensure your complete satisfaction.

WARRANTY

LIMITED WARRANTY STATEMENT

Homelite Consumer Products, Inc., ("Homelite") warrants to the original retail purchaser that this HOMELITE brand outdoor product is free from defect in material and workmanship and agrees to repair or replace, at Homelite's, discretion, any defective product free of charge within these time periods from the date of purchase.

- One year for the following units: all Yard Broom, Trimlite, and Bandit models;
- Two years if the product is used for personal, family or household use;
- 90 days if used for any other purpose, such as commercial or rental.

This warranty extends to the original retail purchaser only and commences on the date of the original retail purchase.

Any part of the this product manufactured or supplied by Homelite and found in the reasonable judgment of Homelite to be defective in material or workmanship will be repaired or replaced without charge for parts and labor by a Homelite authorized service center.

The product, including any defective part, must be returned to an authorized service dealer within the warranty period. The expense of delivering the product to the dealer for warranty work and the expense of returning it back to the owner after repair or replacement will be paid by the owner. Homelite's responsibility in respect to claims is limited to making the required repairs or replacements and no claim of breach of warranty shall be cause for cancellation or rescission of the contract of sale of any HOMELITE brand product. Proof of purchase will be required by the dealer to substantiate any warranty claim. All warranty work must be performed by a Homelite authorized service center.

This warranty is limited to ninety (90) days from the date of original retail purchase for any HOMELITE brand product that is used for rental or commercial purposes, or any other income-producing purpose.

This warranty does not cover any HOMELITE brand product that has been subject to misuse, neglect, negligence, or accident, or that has been operated in any way contrary to the operating instructions as specified in this operator's manual. This warranty does not apply to any damage to the product that is the result of improper maintenance or to any product that has been altered or modified. The warranty does not extend to repairs made necessary by normal wear or by the use of parts or accessories which are either incompatible with the HOMELITE brand product or adversely affect its operation, performance, or durability. In addition, this warranty does not cover:

A. Tune-ups – Spark Plugs, Carburetor, Carburetor Adjustments, Ignition, Filters

B. Wear items – Bump Knobs, Outer Spools, Cutting Lines, Inner Reels, Starter Pulleys, Starter Ropes, Drive Belts, Tines, Felt Washers, Hitch Pins, Mulching Blades, Blower Fans, Blower and Vacuum Tubes, Vacuum Bags and Straps, Guide Bars, Saw Chains

Homelite reserves the right to change or improve the design of any HOMELITE brand product without assuming any obligation to modify any product previously manufactured.

ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES ARE LIMITED IN DURATION TO THE STATED WARRANTY PERIOD. ACCORDINGLY, ANY SUCH IMPLIED WARRANTIES INCLUDING MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, OR OTHERWISE, ARE DISCLAIMED IN THEIR ENTIRETY AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THE APPROPRIATE TWO-YEAR, ONE-YEAR, OR NINETY-DAY WARRANTY PERIOD. HOMELITE'S OBLIGATION UNDER THIS WARRANTY IS STRICTLY AND EXCLUSIVELY LIMITED TO THE REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF DEFECTIVE PARTS AND HOMELITE DOES NOT ASSUME OR AUTHORIZE ANYONE TO ASSUME FOR THEM ANY OTHER OBLIGATION. SOME STATES DO NOT ALLOW LIMITATIONS ON HOW LONG AN IMPLIED WARRANTY LASTS, SO THE ABOVE LIMITATION MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU. HOMELITE ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, OR OTHER DAMAGES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, EXPENSE OF RETURNING THE PRODUCT TO AN AUTHORIZED HOMELITE SERVICE CENTER AND EXPENSE OF DELIVERING IT BACK TO THE OWNER, MECHANIC'S TRAVEL TIME, TELEPHONE OR TELEGRAM CHARGES, RENTAL OF A LIKE PRODUCT DURING THE TIME WARRANTY SERVICE IS BEING PERFORMED, TRAVEL, LOSS OR DAMAGE TO PERSONAL PROPERTY, LOSS OF REVENUE, LOSS OF USE OF THE PRODUCT, LOSS OF TIME, OR INCONVENIENCE. SOME STATES DO NOT ALLOW THE EXCLUSION OR LIMITATION OF INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, SO THE ABOVE LIMITATION OR EXCLUSION MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

This warranty applies to all HOMELITE brand products manufactured by or for Homelite and sold in the United States and Canada.

To locate your nearest Homelite authorized service center, dial 1-800-242-4672 or log on to our website at www.homelite.com.

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SERVICE

For parts or service, contact your nearest Homelite authorized service dealer. Be sure to provide all relevant information when you call or visit. For the location of the authorized service dealer nearest you, please call 1-800-242-4672 or visit us online at www.homelite.com.

REPAIR PARTS

The model number of this tool is found on a plate or label attached to the housing. Please record the serial number in the space provided below.

MODEL NUMBER UT42799

SERIAL NUMBER _____

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